

**From:** Dan Jansen  
**To:** Microsoft ATR  
**Date:** 1/24/02 3:29pm  
**Subject:** Microsoft Settlement

To whom it may concern:

As a concerned member of the voting public, I find the Microsoft anti-trust proceedings troubling.

Microsoft appears to be attempting to coerce the outcome of the trial to help make the company an even bigger seller of software than they were before the proceedings began. By attempting to capture a significant percentage of the educational market for software, by effectively dumping products into school systems, Microsoft will be shaping the expectations of new users at a very early age, impressing on them that a computer 'should look, feel, behave, and present in a particular fashion'.

Furthermore, it would appear that Microsoft is the only one doing any proposing here. Little has been said, anywhere, about the Department of Justice offering a settlement to Microsoft. There is a 'here, Department of Justice, take it or leave it' feel to the whole situation.

I will cut to the chase. The DOJ is the DOJ, and not some groups of pantywaists that Microsoft should be allowed to bully.

Start telling the corporate types what they can and can't do. They're using their own creativity in how to tell the DOJ what they can and can't do, and that's because they don't respect the DOJ, or law, or any other sort of authority besides what makes them the most money.

Enough said.

Daniel E. Jansen

---

Chat with friends online, try MSN Messenger: <http://messenger.msn.com>